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LETTER DATED 29 MARCH 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA AND CROATIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

We have the honour to enclose the Joint Statement by the President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina Mr. Alija Izetbegovic and President of the Republic of Croatia Dr. Franjo Tudjman, dated 27 March 1993 and signed in Zagreb.

We would kindly ask for your assistance in distributing this letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Joint statement issued by the President of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the President of the Republic of Croatia on 27 March 1993 at Zagreb

1. The Republic of Croatia supports signing of the Vance-Owen Plan by Messrs. Alija Izetbegovic and Mate Boban.

2. The President of the Republic of Croatia, Dr. Franjo Tudjman, and the President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mr. Alija Izetbegovic, request from the international community that the Vance-Owen Plan be effectively and consistently implemented, bearing in mind the ineffective implementation of the Vance Plan in the Republic of Croatia because of the systematic obstruction by the Serbian side.

3. Both Presidents remind the international community of continuing aggression by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) against Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia, which should be taken into account when planning the engagement of peace forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the extension of the UNPROFOR mandate in Croatia.

4. Presidents Tudjman and Izetbegovic express their preparedness for close cooperation between the Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and emphasize the need for comprehensive cooperation between the Croatian and Muslim people in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in the implementation of the Vance-Owen Plan, and particularly in the event of the continuation of aggression.

5. If the Serbian side fails to meet the demands of the international community for the implementation of the Vance-Owen Plan and if its aggression continues, the Presidents request that the arms embargo on Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina be lifted.

Zagreb, 27 March 1993

President of the Republic of Croatia
Dr. Franjo Tudjman

President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Alija Izetbegovic